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COMMUNICATION  
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

A response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2004 is filed herewith. The Examiner has provided a restriction requirement and requested an election of species under 35 U.S.C. 121. Accordingly, Applicants elect to prosecute group I and elect Example 3 as a species.

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